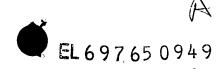


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**PATENT** 

Preliminary Classification:

Proposed Class: 3627 Examiner: F. Saether

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#### **NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Michael W. Bugbee; Mark G. Crawford; Alfred D. Commins

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For (title): SCREW FASTENER IN MULTI-PLY WOOD STRUCTURE SHEAR CONNECTION

# 1. Type of Application

This transmittal is for an original (nonprovisional) application.

## 2. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design) Application

14 Page(s) of Specification

4 Page(s) of Claims

7 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal

## B. Other Papers Enclosed

- 3 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney
- 1 Page(s) of abstract
- 2 Page(s) of Notification of Filing of Continuation-in-Part Application

## 3. Additional Papers Enclosed

Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. 1.98)

Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

Authorization of Attorney(s) to Accept and Follow Instructions from Representative

#### 4. Declaration or Oath

**Enclosed** 

Executed by:

\* inventors.

## 5. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

# 6. Language

English

# 7. Assignment

A copy of assignment of the invention to Simpson Strong-Tie Company, Inc. is attached. A copy of separate FORM PTO 1595 is also attached.



# 8. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16)

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 CFR 1.16 \$710.00
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Multiple Depend Claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d)			+	\$0.00	\$0.00
Filing Fee Calculation					\$710.00
9. Fee Pay	ment Being Made	e at This Time			
Enclosed Filing Fee					\$710.00
Total Fees Enclosed					\$710.00

# 10. Method of Payment of Fees

Check in the amount of \$750.00 is attached.

# 11. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 03-4075.

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## 12. Instructions as to Overpayment

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# ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATIONS CLAIMED

#### 13. Relate Back

Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence:

## A. 35 U.S.C. Sections 120, 121 and 365(c)

"This application is a continuation-in-part of copending applications

Application number 09/487,981 filed on January 20, 2000."

## 14. Further Inventorship Statement Where Benefit of Prior Application(s) Claimed

a. This application discloses and claims additional disclosure by amendment and a new declaration or oath is being filed. With respect to the prior application, the inventors in this application are more than in the prior application. The following additional inventors have been added:

Michael W. Bugbee and Mark G. Crawford

b. The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

# 15. NOTIFICATION IN PARENT APPLICATION OF THIS FILING

A notification of the filing of this continuation-in-part is being filed in the parent application, from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. Section 120.

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